

REMARKS

Claims 18-20 and 23 are now pending in this application for which applicant/ seek/ reconsideration.

Amendment

Claim 18 has been amended to improve its readability and to include the limitation of claim 22. Claims 21, 22, 24, and 25 have been cancelled.

Allowable Claims

Claim 22 was indicated as allowable if placed in independent form. Since claim 18 now includes the limitation of claim 22, applicant submits that all pending claims are now in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

Applicant submits that claims 18-20 and 23 patentably distinguish over the applied references and are in condition for allowance. Should the examiner have any issues concerning this reply or any other outstanding issues remaining in this application, applicant/ urge/ the examiner to contact the undersigned to expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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